

*City of Chandler*



**Mayor Jay Tibshraeny's  
Neighborhood Excellence Awards  
Application**

Submit application in person or via email no later than  
Friday, November 20, 2015, 5:00 p.m. to:

City of Chandler  
Neighborhood Resources Division  
235 S. Arizona Ave  
Chandler, AZ 85225  
or email a PDF to:  
[judy.ramos@chandleraz.gov](mailto:judy.ramos@chandleraz.gov)

480-782-4354  
[neighborhood.programs@chandleraz.gov](mailto:neighborhood.programs@chandleraz.gov)  
[www.chandleraz.gov/neighborhoods](http://www.chandleraz.gov/neighborhoods)

*2015 Neighborhood Award Nominations*



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Mayor Jay Tibshraeny & City Council

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Thank you for your interest in the City of Chandler's Neighborhood Awards Program. The program is an initiative of Mayor Jay Tibshraeny to recognize the contributions and accomplishments of Chandler neighborhoods and their leaders. Chandler has a long-standing history of community involvement and neighborhood participation. Individuals or neighborhoods nominated for these awards have demonstrated exceptional performance in their efforts to sustain a great quality of life in Chandler neighborhoods.

## I. AWARD CATEGORIES

### *Best Neighborhood Event (one-time or ongoing)*

Best Neighborhood Event Award recognizes a neighborhood that helps strengthen their community through a one-time or ongoing neighborhood event that encourages neighborhood participation and promotes ongoing neighborhood communication. Applications for this award should include a description of the event(s) and why it has been successful in the neighborhood and address how the event has created improved communication and neighborhood cohesiveness.

### *Most Active or Engaged Neighborhood*

Most Active or Engaged Neighborhood Award recognizes a neighborhood where neighbors are actively engaged in activities that promote neighborliness. This neighborhood will have communication structures in place and ongoing activities that keep residents in their neighborhood engaged. These neighborhoods also value collaboration with City of Chandler Divisions and attend and/or bring educational resources and opportunities to their neighborhood. Applications for this award should include a description of activities and methods which are in place that facilitate neighborhood engagement. The application should also address how communication with partners outside the neighborhood have enhanced neighborhood communication efforts.

### *Best Revitalization Story*

Best Revitalization Story Award recognizes a neighborhood that was diminished either socially or physically and where residents collaborated and took positive actions to unify and rejuvenate their neighborhood. Applications for this award should include a description of the initial condition of the neighborhood, the key actions taken to improve the neighborhood and a description of ongoing efforts to sustain neighborhood revitalization.

### *Neighborhood Leader of the Year*

Neighborhood Leader of the Year Award recognizes an individual that has inspired positive change both social and physical in their neighborhood through his/her leadership. It recognizes individuals who have sought out resources through education and have encouraged leadership in others. Applications for this award should include a description of the key qualities of the neighborhood leader and the impact his/her strengths have made on the neighborhood and its neighbors.

## **II. AWARDS**

### *All winners will be:*

- Receive a \$500 Neighborhood Jump Start Grant\*
- Announced at the Mayor's State of the City Address in February
- Featured in the News for Neighbors Newsletter
- Featured on [www.chandleraz.gov](http://www.chandleraz.gov)
- Featured on Chandler Channel 11

## **III. STANDARD CONDITIONS FOR APPLICANTS**

- Former neighborhood winners may apply once every two years
- Former neighborhood leader award winners may apply once every three years
- Neighborhoods may submit applications for multiple categories. However, only one award will be given per neighborhood

## **IV. REQUIREMENTS**

### *Application Requirements:*

- Applications must include the "Cover Sheet" provided in this application packet
- If a hard copy of the application is submitted, please DO NOT staple (binder clips are acceptable)
- If a PDF copy of the application is submitted, please keep a copy of the "Confirmation" e-mail which includes the date and time the entry was received

### *Application Criteria:*

- To apply for the Neighborhood Award or Neighborhood Leader Award, the neighborhood must be registered with the City of Chandler's Neighborhood Registration Program
- Both registered Traditional and HOA neighborhoods are encouraged to apply
- Submissions must be provided in the form of an essay up to, but not to exceed, 500-words

### *Essay Criteria:*

- Essay must be submitted on "8 ½ x 11" white paper
- Essay must be typed in 12 point font and double spaced

### *Attachments:*

- Please add up to 6 (six) attachments that will help the judges with a better understanding of your submission
- Please submit photos in .JPG format

### *Judging:*

- A judging panel, led by Mayor Jay Tibshraeny, will review the essays. The panel will select three finalist in each category
- Beginning December 14 - January 22, top finalist's entries will be posted on [www.chandler-az.gov](http://www.chandler-az.gov) and Chandler residents will be provided with an opportunity to vote online for their favorite entries
- Mayor Jay Tibshraeny will announce the winners at the State of the City Address

\* Please visit <http://www.chandleraz.gov/neighborhoods> to view the Neighborhood Jump Start Grant guidelines for a list of eligible neighborhood projects.

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## COVER SHEET

### I. Award Category:

Check the category, which describes the award you are applying for. (*Select only one category*)

#### 1. Best Neighborhood Event (one-time or ongoing)

Event Name \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2. Most Active or Engaged Neighborhood

Neighborhood Name \_\_\_\_\_

#### 3. Best Revitalization Story

Revitalization Story Name \_\_\_\_\_

#### 4. Neighborhood Leader of the Year

Leader's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Leader's Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

### II. Application Information

Neighborhood Name \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Address \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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If you have questions, please contact Judy Ramos at [judy.ramos@chandleraz.gov](mailto:judy.ramos@chandleraz.gov) or 480-782-4348